

# Math 151A: Midterm

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## Problem 1: Solution

a)  $g(x) = x^{\frac{1}{5}}$ .  $g \in C[\frac{1}{5^{\frac{5}{4}}}, \frac{3}{2}]$ .  $g$  assumes a minimum of  $5^{-\frac{1}{4}}$  at the endpoint  $x = \frac{1}{5^{\frac{5}{4}}}$  and a maximum of  $(\frac{3}{2})^{\frac{1}{5}}$  at the endpoint  $x = \frac{3}{2}$ , so  $g(x) \in [\frac{1}{5^{\frac{5}{4}}}, \frac{3}{2}]$  for all  $x \in [\frac{1}{5^{\frac{5}{4}}}, \frac{3}{2}]$ .  $|g'(x)|$  exists  $\forall x \in (\frac{1}{5^{\frac{5}{4}}}, \frac{3}{2})$ , and  $|g'(x)| < 1 \forall x \in (\frac{1}{5^{\frac{5}{4}}}, \frac{3}{2})$  because  $|g'(x)|$  assumes a maximum of 1 at the endpoint  $x = \frac{1}{5^{\frac{5}{4}}}$ , and  $|g'(x)|$  is strictly decreasing over the interval  $[\frac{1}{5^{\frac{5}{4}}}, \frac{3}{2}]$ . It follows by density of the real numbers, for each  $x \in (\frac{1}{5^{\frac{5}{4}}}, \frac{3}{2})$ , there exists  $k$  s.t  $|g'(x)| \leq k < 1$ . By Theorem 2.3, there exists a unique fixed point in  $[\frac{1}{5^{\frac{5}{4}}}, \frac{3}{2}]$ . In addition, Theorem 2.4 states that for any  $p_0 \in [\frac{1}{5^{\frac{5}{4}}}, \frac{3}{2}]$ , the sequence  $p_n = g(p_{n-1})$ ,  $n \geq 1$ , converges to the unique fixed point in  $[\frac{1}{5^{\frac{5}{4}}}, \frac{3}{2}]$ .

b)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n^{\frac{1}{5}} = 1^{\frac{1}{5}} = 1$ .

$p_n$  converges linearly to the point 1 if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{g(p_n) - g(1)}{p_n - 1} \right| = \lambda$  for some  $\lambda < 1$ .

It follows  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{g(p_n) - g(1)}{p_n - 1} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{p_n^{\frac{1}{5}} - 1}{p_n - 1} \right|$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{p_n^{\frac{1}{5}} - 1}{(p_n^{\frac{1}{5}} - 1)(p_n^{\frac{4}{5}} + p_n^{\frac{3}{5}} + p_n^{\frac{2}{5}} + p_n^{\frac{1}{5}} + 1)} \right|$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{1}{p_n^{\frac{4}{5}} + p_n^{\frac{3}{5}} + p_n^{\frac{2}{5}} + p_n^{\frac{1}{5}} + 1} \right|$$

$$= \left| \frac{1}{1^{\frac{4}{5}} + 1^{\frac{3}{5}} + 1^{\frac{2}{5}} + 1^{\frac{1}{5}} + 1} \right| = \frac{1}{5}$$

Thus, there exists a  $\lambda = \frac{1}{5} < 1$

$p_n$  only converges linearly if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|g(p_n) - g(1)|}{|p_n - 1|^\alpha}$  diverges for all  $\alpha > 1$ .

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|g(p_n) - g(1)|}{|p_n - 1|^\alpha} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{|g(p_n) - g(1)|}{|p_n - 1|}}{|p_n - 1|^{\alpha-1}} \text{ where } \alpha > 1.$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{5}}{|p_n - 1|^{\alpha-1}} = \infty \text{ because } |p_n - 1|^{\alpha-1} \text{ converges to 0.}$$

**Problem 2:** Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|g(p_n) - 1|}{|p_n - 1|} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|\frac{1}{2}e^{-p_n+1}(\cos(\pi p_n)^2 + 1) - 1|}{|p_n - 1|} \\ &= \frac{|\frac{1}{2}e^0(\cos(\pi)^2 + 1) - 1|}{|1 - 1|} = \frac{1}{|1 - 1|} \Rightarrow \text{zero over zero.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{By L'H} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{|-\frac{1}{2}e^{1-x}(\cos(\pi x)^2 + 1) - \pi e^{1-x} \cos(\pi x) \sin(\pi x)|}{|1|} \\ &= |-\frac{1}{2}e^0(\cos(\pi)^2 + 1) - \pi e^0 \cos(\pi) \sin(\pi)| = 1 \text{ (sublinearly)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{b) } g(x) = x - \frac{e^{1-x}(\cos(\pi x)^2 + 1) - 2x}{-e^{1-x}(\cos(\pi x)^2 + 2\pi \sin(\pi x) \cos(\pi x) + 1) + 2} \text{ (at least quadratically by Newton's method)}$$

$$\text{c) } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|g(p_n) - 1|}{|p_n - 1|} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|\frac{19}{20}p_n + \frac{1}{40}e^{-p_n+1}(\cos(\pi p_n)^2 + 1) - 1|}{|p_n - 1|} \text{ (zero over zero)}$$

$$\text{By L'H} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \left| \frac{19}{20} - \frac{1}{40}e^{-x+1}(\cos(\pi x)^2 + 2\pi \sin(\pi x) \cos(\pi x) + 1) \right| = \frac{18}{20} \text{ (linearly)}$$

$$\text{d) } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|g(p_n) - 1|}{|p_n - 1|} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|3p_n - e^{-p_n+1}(\cos(\pi p_n)^2 + 1) - 1|}{|p_n - 1|} \text{ (zero over zero)}$$

$$\text{By L'H} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} |3 + e^{-x+1}(\cos(\pi x)^2 + 2\pi \sin(\pi x) \cos(\pi x) + 1)| = 5 \text{ (diverges)}$$

b) fastest, c) second, a) third, d) slowest.

**Problem 3:** Solution

a) table

	0	1	2	3	4
-1	33				
0	$\frac{51}{20}$	$-\frac{609}{20}x + \frac{51}{20}$			
3	-3	$-\frac{37}{20}x + \frac{51}{20}$	$\frac{143}{20}x^2 - \frac{466}{20}x + \frac{51}{20}$		
2	$-\frac{21}{20}$	$-\frac{39}{20}x + \frac{51}{20}$	$-\frac{1}{20}x^2 - \frac{34}{20}x + \frac{51}{20}$	$-\frac{48}{20}x^3 + \frac{239}{20}x^2 - \frac{322}{20}x + \frac{51}{20}$	
5	$q$	$-\frac{21+20q}{60}x + \frac{21+8q}{12}$	$\frac{69+10q}{60}x^2 - \frac{462-50q}{60}x + \frac{585+60q}{60}$	$\frac{72+10q}{300}x^3 - \frac{375-50q}{300}x^2 + \frac{-78+60}{300}x + \frac{51}{20}$	

$$\frac{q}{180}x^4 - \frac{q}{45}x^3 + \frac{11}{25}x^4 + \frac{q}{180}x^2 - \frac{104}{25}x^3 + \frac{q}{30}x + \frac{1239}{100}x^2 - \frac{673}{50}x + \frac{51}{20}$$

$$q = 504/5$$

$$P_4(x) = x^4 - \frac{32}{5}x^3 + \frac{259}{20}x^2 - \frac{101}{10}x + \frac{51}{20}.$$

b)  $g(x) = x - \frac{P_4(x)}{P'_4(x)}$ . Starting at  $x = 1.211$  we get  $p_{100} = 0.500$ .

**Problem 4:** Solution

- a) Let  $g(x) = \frac{1}{2}(x + \frac{\alpha}{x})$ .  $g \in C[\min\{p_0, \frac{\sqrt{3\alpha}}{3}\}, \max\{p_0, g(p_0), \frac{2\sqrt{3\alpha}}{3}\}]$ .  $g$  assumes a minimum of  $\sqrt{\alpha}$  at  $x = \sqrt{\alpha}$  when  $g'(x) = 0$ , and  $g$  assumes a maximum of  $\frac{2\sqrt{3\alpha}}{3}$  when  $\frac{\sqrt{3\alpha}}{3} \leq p_0 \leq \sqrt{3\alpha}$  and a maximum of  $g(p_0)$  otherwise. Thus,  $g$  maps onto itself. Want to show  $|p_{n+1} - \sqrt{\alpha}| \leq |p_n - \sqrt{\alpha}|$  for all  $n > 1$ .  $|p_{n+1} - \sqrt{\alpha}| = |\frac{1}{2}(p_n + \frac{\alpha}{p_n}) - \sqrt{\alpha}| = |\frac{p_n - \sqrt{\alpha}}{2p_n}| |p_n - \sqrt{\alpha}|$ . This implies  $|p_{n+1} - \sqrt{\alpha}| \leq |p_n - \sqrt{\alpha}|$  if  $|\frac{p_n - \sqrt{\alpha}}{2p_n}| \Rightarrow p_n > \frac{\sqrt{\alpha}}{3}$ . If  $p_0 \leq \frac{\sqrt{\alpha}}{3}$ , then  $p_1 = \frac{1}{2}(p_0 + \frac{\alpha}{p_0}) > \frac{\alpha}{2\frac{\sqrt{\alpha}}{3}} = \frac{3\sqrt{\alpha}}{2} > \frac{\sqrt{\alpha}}{3}$ .

By induction  $|p_n - \sqrt{\alpha}| = |\frac{p_{n-1} - \sqrt{\alpha}}{2p_{n-1}}| |p_{n-1} - \sqrt{\alpha}| = \dots = \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} |\frac{p_i - \sqrt{\alpha}}{2p_i}| |p_1 - \sqrt{\alpha}|$ .  $|\frac{p_i - \sqrt{\alpha}}{2p_i}| = |\frac{p_{i-1} - \sqrt{\alpha}}{2p_{i-1}}| |\frac{p_{i-1} - \sqrt{\alpha}}{p_{i-1} + \frac{\alpha}{p_{i-1}}}| \leq |\frac{p_{i-1} - \sqrt{\alpha}}{2p_{i-1}}|$  because  $|\frac{p_{i-1} - \sqrt{\alpha}}{p_{i-1} + \frac{\alpha}{p_{i-1}}}| < 1$  ( $-\sqrt{\alpha} < \frac{\alpha}{p_{i-1}}, p_{i-1} > \sqrt{\alpha}$  and  $\sqrt{\alpha} - p_{i-1} < p_{i-1} + \frac{\alpha}{p_{i-1}}, p_{i-1} < \sqrt{\alpha}$ ).

It follows  $|\frac{p_1 - \sqrt{\alpha}}{2p_1}|$  is an upper bound for  $|\frac{p_n - \sqrt{\alpha}}{2p_n}|$

Thus,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |p_n - \sqrt{\alpha}| \leq |\frac{p_1 - \sqrt{\alpha}}{2p_1}|^{n-1} |p_1 - \sqrt{\alpha}| = 0$  by the squeeze theorem. Hence  $p_n$  converges for all  $p_0 > 0$ .

- b) If  $p_0 < 0$ ,  $p_n$  converges to  $-\sqrt{\alpha}$ . The proof is similar to how we show  $p_n$  converges to  $\sqrt{\alpha}$  for  $p_0 > 0$ .  $g \in C[\min\{p_0, g(p_0), -\frac{2\sqrt{3\alpha}}{3}, \max\{p_0, -\frac{\sqrt{3\alpha}}{3}\}\}]$ .  $g$  assumes a maximum of  $\sqrt{\alpha}$  and minimum of  $g(p_0)$  or  $-\frac{2\sqrt{3\alpha}}{3}$ . Then, we show  $|\frac{p_1 + \sqrt{\alpha}}{2p_1}| < 1$  and an upper bound for  $|\frac{p_n + \sqrt{\alpha}}{2p_n}|$  for  $n > 1$ . Then, we use the squeeze theorem as we did previously to show  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |p_n + \sqrt{\alpha}|$  converges to 0.